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Honecker Forced Back To Berlin From Exile

Ex-Communist Leader Faces Trial in Deaths of East Germans at Wall

BERLIN — Erich Honecker was flown to Berlin on Wednesday, ending a 17-month struggle over the former East German leader's return to Germany to face trial in the deaths of people trying to escape the Communist nation.

Mr. Honecker seemed defiant as he left Moscow for Berlin, raising his fist in an old-style Communist salute as he left his refuge in the Chilean Embassy.

Mr. Honecker, 79, is wanted in Germany on charges of ordering border guards to shoot to kill anyone trying to flee East Germany via the Berlin Wall or other borders.

The arrival was shown live on ARD national television. Several people carrying flags of the former East Germany demonstrated outside the airport, demanding that Mr. Honecker be freed.

"Now justice can take its course," said the federal justice minister, Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger, in a statement issued in Bonn after Mr. Honecker left Moscow. "Mr. Honecker will receive a fair trial in Germany under the rule of law."

"In the criminal trial against Mr. Honecker," she said, "it is not a matter of revenge but rather the attempt to satisfy justice under the rule of law."

Mr. Honecker landed at Tegel airport in Berlin in a Russian government plane. It immediately taxied to an outlying runway behind a large freight hanger. German justice authorities planned to take him to Moabit Prison in western Berlin.

In the jail, justice officials planned to read him a charge sheet detailing 49 manslaughter cases. He would then be brought before a judge on Thursday who would formally charge him.

At least 350 people — perhaps as many as 400 — are believed to have died in escape attempts from East Germany. A Berlin police official said earlier this month that as many 350 people died at the wall alone during the 30 years it stood.

If convicted, Mr. Honecker could face life imprisonment. Some Germans now have sympathy for the aged Marxist-Leninist, or would prefer to avoid the trauma of a trial. But the government says the justice system must address the charges against Mr. Honecker.

Mr. Honecker does not seem to regret the building of the wall, which he oversaw, and he categorically denies the charges against him. He See HONECKER, Page 4



IN DEEP WATER — President Saddam Hussein of Iraq taking a swim Wednesday with his bodyguards in the warm and muddy water of the Tigris. He later went racing down the river in a speedboat, waving at people on the shore. He was commemorating the day in 1959 when he swam the Tigris with a leg wound after he had tried to assassinate President Abdul-Karim Qassem. Page 4.

UN Search in Baghdad Yields No Clues

By Paul Lewis New York Times Service BAGHDAD — United Nations inspectors concluded their search of the Ministry of Agriculture on Wednesday, without finding any incriminating materials on President Saddam Hussein's programs for weapons of mass destruction.

"We didn't find any 687-directly related material," said the chief inspector, Achim Biermann of Germany. He was referring to the Security Council's resolution linking the Gulf War cease-fire to Iraq's compliance with the destruction of its most dangerous weapons.

"There is concern major material might have been taken out," Mr. Biermann said, adding that the inspectors had taken nothing from the building themselves. "But to go further at the moment is speculation."

Even if the inspectors found nothing, Rolf Ekouss, the head of the UN special commission established to find and destroy Iraq's most dangerous weapons, said the inspection had been important.

It established his legal right under existing Security Council resolutions, he said, to go wherever he wanted in Iraq to search for prohibited weapons.

Iraq refused at first to admit the inspectors when they sought access to the Ministry of See IRAQ, Page 4

In Foreign Policy Debate, Clinton Comes Out Firing

By R. W. Apple Jr. New York Times Service WASHINGTON — For Governor Bill Clinton, the tussle this week with President George Bush and the White House over the crisis in the former Yugoslavian republics represents a major test of his capacity to frame and articulate foreign policy.

Mr. Bush has become unpopular with the American electorate and unable to regain the offensive on economic policy. But, largely because of his lengthy foreign affairs experience and the U.S. victory in the Gulf War, he retains considerable credibility on security matters and on foreign policy questions in general.

His strategists see that as his trump card in the 1992 elections, a way to distinguish himself sharply from a Democratic nominee who has spent his entire public career in Little Rock, Arkansas.

After Mr. Clinton issued a statement criticizing Mr. Bush for failing to provide adequate leadership on the conflict in the former Yugoslav republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina and urging the United States to seek United Nations authorization for selective bombing of Serbian targets in Bosnia, Martin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, called the proposal "reckless" and said Mr. Clinton and his running mate, Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee, "are a long way from being qualified to lead the country."

That statement brought return fire from Mr. Clinton, Mr. Gore and others that made it clear the Democrats had no intention of ceding foreign policy primacy to the Republicans.

The question is, Can Mr. Clinton fight Mr. Bush at least to a standstill on ground where the president made his reputation? Still divided along hawk-and-dove fault lines that first emerged in the Vietnam War, fearful of seeming soft on communism and reluctant to revive memories of the American hostages taken in Iran during the Carter administration. See CLINTON, Page 3



Mr. Honecker giving a Communist salute Wednesday as he left the Chilean Embassy.

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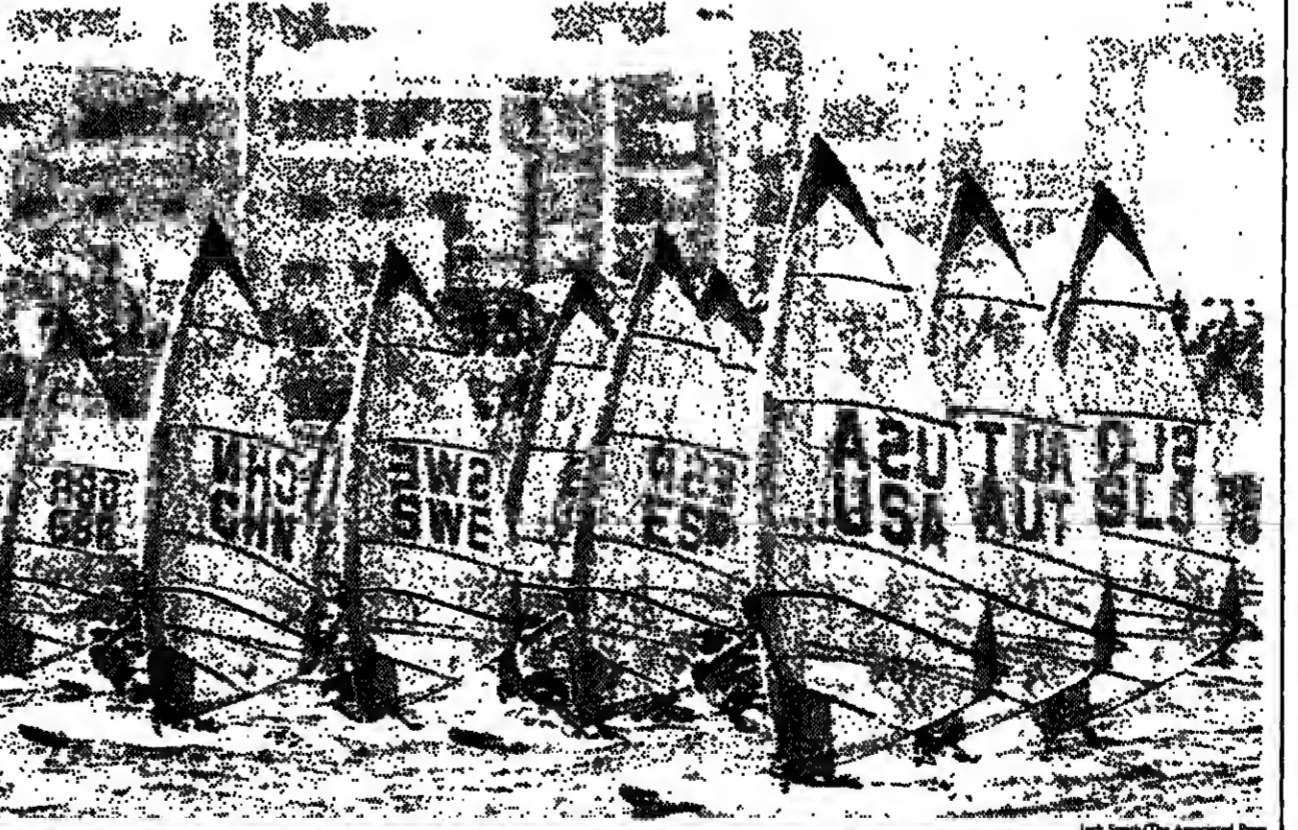
Olympic Basketball United States 111, Germany 68

2 World Records Mike Barrowman of the United States set a swimming world record in the 200-meter breaststroke on Wednesday, and Yevgeni Sadoviy of Russia became the Barcelona Olympics' first triple gold medalist. Sadoviy also set a world record in the 400-meter freestyle. The U.S. 400-meter freestyle relay team won the second U.S. gold medal of the day.

U.S. Wins in Diving Mark Lenzi of the United States succeeded his hero, Greg Louganis, as an Olympic diving champion, handily winning the 3-meter springboard title.

Offstage Bashes Behind wire fences, guarded by burly men with walkie-talkies, 15 cruise ships docked at Barcelona are the venue for what is fast becoming a main Olympic event: corporate bashes for clients. In the true Olympic spirit, of course, it is a competition: what ship will offer the best cabins, provide the best meals, throw the best parties.

Olympic report: Pages 16, 17, 18 and 19



Competitors in the Lechner A-390 yachting event contended with contrary winds off Barcelona. Fiji won the first race.

Indictments Name Clifford In BCCI Case

WASHINGTON — Clark M. Clifford, a former defense secretary, pillar of the Democratic Party establishment and an adviser to presidents going back to Harry S. Truman, was indicted along with a law partner Wednesday in the BCCI scandal.

The Justice Department's announcement of charges was coupled with the disclosure in New York City that Mr. Clifford and his colleague, Robert A. Altman, had been indicted by a state grand jury involving the same alleged conspiracy.

The three-count U.S. indictment accused Mr. Clifford and Mr. Altman of enriching themselves through secret sweetheart loans and other agreements with the failed Bank of Credit & Commerce International. The New York indictment also accused them of accepting bribes.

Earlier, Sheikh Kamal Adham, the former head of Saudi intelligence and a key figure in the 1982 takeover of First American Bankshares Inc., pleaded guilty to violating the New York bank holding company act and agreed to pay \$105 million in fines to settle charges that he knew First American was illegally controlled by a group of Arab investors, according to court documents.

He is expected to be a major witness against Mr. Clifford and Mr. Altman, along with his accountant, Sayed Jawhary, who also entered a guilty plea.

Lawyers knowledgeable about the First American investigation called Sheikh Adham's plea an extraordinary development that could give prosecutors a crucial new source of information about the takeover of First American.

"We totally and categorically deny all charges," Mr. Clifford and Mr. Altman said in a joint statement.

"They are the result of mean-spirited See INDICT, Page 11

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Falling Interest Rates Spur Stocks

Wall Street stocks soared for the second straight day, with a boost from falling interest rates in the bond market and surprisingly strong earnings reports from several big companies. The Dow Jones industrial average rose about 38.64 points, bringing its two-day advance to 90 points. (Page 9)

Table with market data: Dow Jones (Up 38.64), Trib Index (Up 0.80%), The Dollar (New York, West, S.P.A. previous close), DM (1.4815), Pound (1.8208), Yen (127.85), FF (5.003).

General News: Plea for Bosnian refugees met a divided response. Page 2. Science: Night vision has apparently little to do with excellent in daylight vision. Page 8. Crossword: Page 17. Weather: Page 2.

Ex-East Germans Learn West's Big Secrets, Like Deodorant

By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service POTSDAM, Germany — A hush fell over the conference room in a former East German Communist Party boarding school. Gisela Tantz-Wiessner, once a flight attendant for Pan American World Airways, had come from the West to reveal the secrets of the new life to people who had been isolated in East Germany.

"Smell," she told a room full of hotel managers, "is a very important point. Everyone has body odor. What can you do about it?" Silence. Finally, Winfried Mitzlaff, a hotel convention manager, raised his hand. "Wash!" he barked.

Miss Tantz-Wiessner put on a serious face and looked each student in the eye. "Washing is not enough," she said. "It is important also to use deodorant. Without deodorant, it just will not be enough."

Untold millions have been spent retraining the people of Eastern Germany and Eastern Europe in the ways of the West. Businesses have built huge academies to retrain production-line workers and give managers a grounding in Western computers, accounting methods and strategy of planning. The German government has sent several million Easterners to training schools where they learn details of Western technology, law, insurance and other intricacies of the market economy. But in the long and confusing march from communism to capitalism, facts are not enough. Sometimes, frustrated Easterners say, it seems there must be a secret code no one has bothered to tell them. Miss Tantz-Wiessner is out to reveal the code. From her base in West Berlin, where she has worked for 20 years as a protocol expert for the city government, she is traveling across the former East Germany teaching people what the West expects of them. She gives it to them straight, whether the topic is body odor, eye contact, small talk or wardrobe. Her recipe is a mix of positive thinking, American sales strategy and traditional Central European manners. The seminar began in a decidedly chilly atmosphere. Hotel workers disputed the idea that they were blank slates when it came to customer relations. "We were always there for the guest," said Siegrid Bergmann, the headwaitress. "In the context of what we could do, we did everything for them."

Now, Western guests, especially West German guests, expect the impossible from Eastern hotel workers, Miss Bergmann said. "I feel them checking us out from head to toe," she said. "And they ask so many questions. I was never sure what to say, but with time we're getting more confident." Miss Tantz-Wiessner acknowledged that her students had done their best in the old system, then charged ahead with her hours-long list of do's and don'ts, pausing along the way to make sure that no one felt offended. Students carefully wrote down each point of instruction. Such strange ideas, such arbitrary rules: Stand straight as if you were being dangled from a string. Smile even on the telephone — people can hear the difference. Use your customers' names as often as possible. Don't let business contacts see you smoking. Men, never, ever wear white socks with a dark suit. The room broke up on that one. White socks were the rule in East Germany, and they are far from unknown in the West, even among top executives. But after nearly three years of life without the wall, Easterners have got the joke. Next, a fashion tip for women. "I lived in New York for years," Miss Tantz-Wiessner said, "and it gets so much more humid See CODE, Page 4

Plight of Refugees From Bosnia Meets Divided Response

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
GENEVA — Ministers attending an emergency conference here on aiding refugees from the warring lands of Yugoslavia were divided Wednesday on how to help more than 2 million people.

"I am deeply worried that if we do not act immediately and forcefully on both political and humanitarian fronts, we may find ourselves stranded with an open-ended relief program and a massive permanent refugee problem in the heart of Europe," said Sadako Ogata, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

Mrs. Ogata called the emergency meeting of representatives of 50 nations to plead for money to help the refugees through the winter and to encourage European nations to open their borders for temporary haven.

But beyond promises of more money, the participants seemed reluctant to take dramatic steps to deal with the problem.

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tions," a Portuguese diplomat, José Cutieiro, said at a news conference.

However, he said all three sides agreed to take part in "a modest effort," a coordinating committee to deal with the distribution of humanitarian aid, the return of refugees, prisoner exchanges and other human rights issues.

Meanwhile, UN trucks carrying food and medicine from Croatia arrived in Sarajevo on Wednesday.

The relief convoy of 21 trucks, sponsored by the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, arrived in the besieged city in the afternoon after a day-and-a-half journey from the port of Split, officials said.

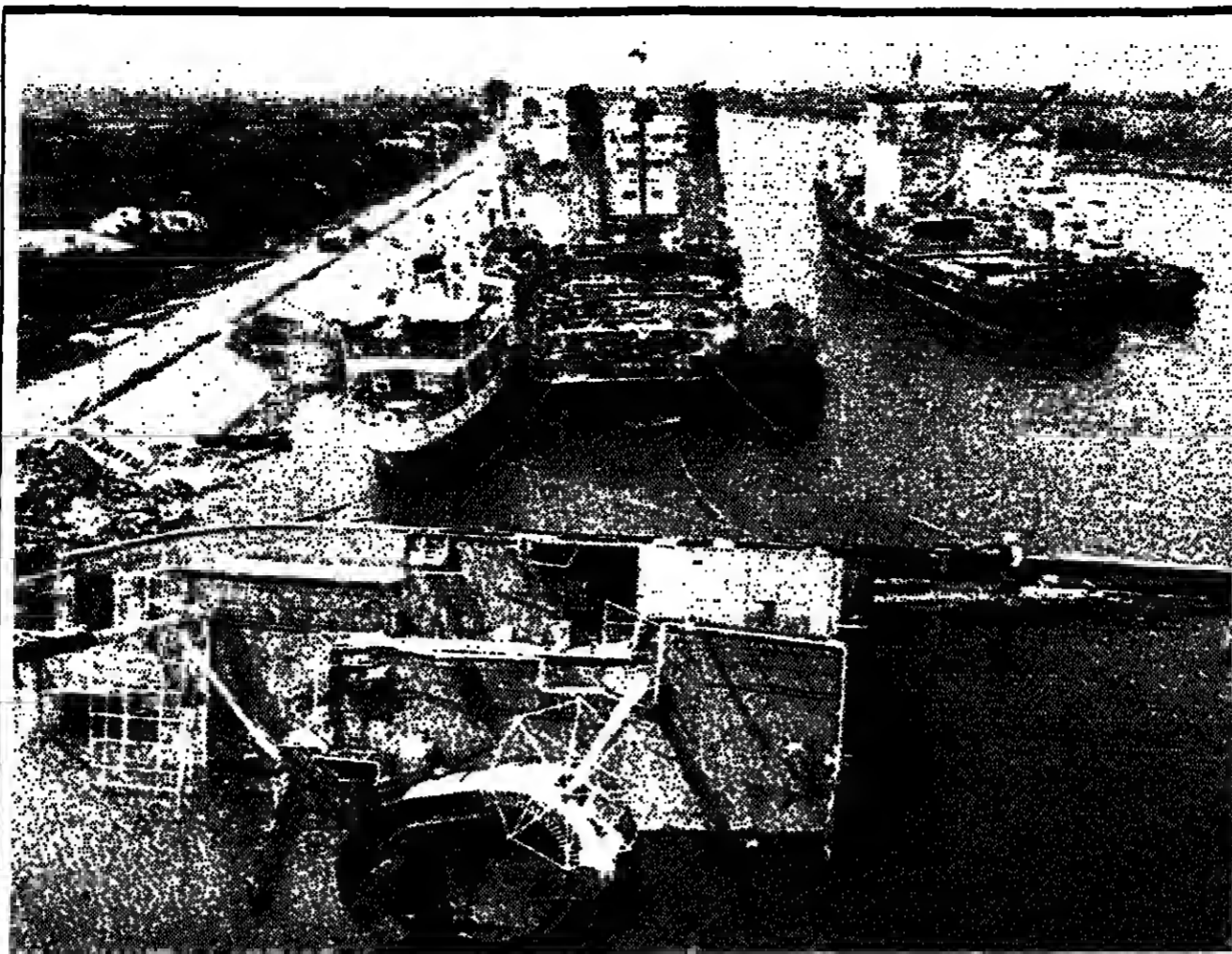
The safe passage through the front line at Kiselejk, 20 kilometers (12 miles) outside the city, could be an important indicator of the feasibility of opening a land corridor to augment relief flights. It was the first UN convoy to pass through the Serbian checkpoint at Kiselejk.

Sarajevo was quieter than usual overnight. Tank fire rocked the city center late Tuesday, and Serbs launched two attacks on Bosnian positions near the Jewish Cemetery.

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The British minister for overseas development, Lynda Chalker, said the 11 other members of the European Community were reluctant to open their doors to a flood of Muslims, Croats and other former Yugoslavs.

"Even if we believe very firmly that we should not be encouraging refugees to leave the conflict area, she said, European countries fear the refugees will never return home.



CLEARING THE DANUBE — Ships trying to remove the Russian cargo ship Rostock, which is hampering navigation on an arm of the Danube in Romania. The Rostock went aground near Partizani, a village about 300 kilometers southeast of Bucharest.

'Life Is Over,' Egypt's Copts Fear After Attacks

By Chris Hedges
New York Times Service

SANABU, Egypt — Daniel Samana, a 26-year-old farmer, has not left his mud hovel to tend his fields for three months.

The last time he stood barefoot in the dark, fecund earth where he and his family have grown wheat and corn for generations, he collected the bodies of his uncle and five cousins, who had been slain by Islamic militants.

His three brothers have fled the village, but he remains, boled up in his hut with his blind 70-year-old father, his mother and eight other family members who are too afraid to venture out for more than a few minutes and too poor to find another place to live.

cent of Egypt's 57 million people and belong to one of the oldest denominations in Christendom, have become the victims of an increasingly violent campaign waged by Islamic militants who want to create a state ruled according to strict interpretations of Islamic law.

In the last four months, more than 30 people have been killed in Upper Egypt, which embraces this town, including 13 Christians massacred by militants one morning in May.

Assaults on Christians and the burning of their houses and shops are a daily occurrence.

Government officials say the attacks are part of a broad strategy to destabilize Egypt. "These extremists want to destroy tourism, a vital source of our revenues, to impoverish the country," said the presidential press secretary, Mohammed Abdel Moneim.

The Egyptian government, alarmed by the violence, has placed several thousand troops in Upper Egypt to curb attacks and hunt down militant groups. Parliament has passed a tough anti-terrorism law that will give the police and security forces broad latitude in dealing with armed militants, including the introduction of the death penalty for members of "terrorist" groups.

The new measures also follow the assassination of Farag Foda, a leading intellectual who criticized the militants, and several police and government officials.

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The Islamic government in Khartoum provides weapons and training for the militants, these officials contend.

Many Coptic leaders, who say that Muslim militants now control several small villages and towns in Upper Egypt, wonder if it is already too late.

Parachute Lessons for Croats Land Dutch in Difficulty

By Jeffrey Stalk
Special to the Herald Tribune
AMSTERDAM — Eleven Croatian soldiers taking a civilian skydiving course in the Netherlands are causing a problem for the Dutch government.

In principle, anyone has the right to learn to parachute jump in the country, authorities say, but the obvious military application of the training can be regarded as violating Dutch neutrality.

Local officials on the North Sea island of Texel, where the Croats are taking the parachute training, are planning to meet with them to give them "a few days to leave the country," Mr. Holius said.

the first "para-commando" regiment there. And they have been photographed training in military uniforms.

A Justice Ministry spokesman, Victor Holius, said that the Croats were in the country illegally, and that their requests for visas had been denied.

Local officials on the North Sea island of Texel, where the Croats are taking the parachute training, are planning to meet with them to give them "a few days to leave the country," Mr. Holius said.

If they refuse, the ministry will decide what further action to take. "It is against the law if they train here as a military unit," Mr. Holius said.

The soldiers, who entered the country without visas two weeks ago, were apparently invited to the Netherlands by a Dutch soldier of fortune who fought in Croatia last year.

Earlier this week, Dutch authorities gave the Croats the choice of either formally applying for political asylum in Holland or leaving the country. The soldiers originally indicated they would depart without completing the course. In a newspaper interview, one said that to seek asylum would be considered "as treason to the Croatian people."

But the Croats have now changed tactics. They retained a Dutch attorney and are seeking to remain in the country long enough to finish the training. They are keeping a low profile on the island while their case is taken up in the courts.

Joint Peace Force Enters Moldova Decision Follows Success of Similar Action in Caucasus

South Ossetia, which is seeking to secede from Georgia.

Moldova, which separates Ukraine and Romania, is split by the Dniester River. Most of the area to the west of the river was part of Romania until Moscow seized it in 1940.

MOSCOW — Joint peacekeeping troops moved into Moldova on Wednesday to quell fighting between Moldovans, who are ethnic Romanians, and Slavic inhabitants in the breakaway Dniester region.

The agreement calls for five battalions of Russians to be followed by units from Moldova and the Dniester region, the agency said.

Moldovans on the west bank fear that loss of the industrialized Dniester region would rob their newly independent country of much of its economic base.

The Moldovan leader, Mircea Snegur, said recently that the Dniester region would be allowed to decide its own fate if Moldovans decided to merge with Romania.

UN Pledges Somali Aid: 'Kids Are Dying Now'

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
NAIROBI — The United Nations special representative to Somalia said Wednesday that he hoped to begin an airlift of food to 1.5 million starving Somalis within days.

The official, Mohammed Sahnoun, an undersecretary-general from Algeria, said he would not wait for a report by a UN technical team before starting the airlift.

"Kids are dying right now," he said.

Tens of thousands of people have already died from the combined effects of drought and war in Somalia.

Besides the 1.5 million people at imminent risk of dying, Mr. Sahnoun estimated, 4.5 million other Somalis are nearing the borderline of starvation. That is virtually the country's entire population.

Somalia began its slide into chaos in January 1991 when the rebel United Somalia Congress party deposed President Mohammed Siad Barre. With the dictator gone, rival factions began fighting for control of Mogadishu, the capital, and the rest of the nation splintered into clan fiefdoms.

The UN technical team, authorized by the Security Council on Monday, is to arrive in Mogadishu on Aug. 5. It is expected to recommend a sweeping aid program.

The technical team will report to the secretary-general, Mr. Sahnoun said. "But that does not exclude the possibility of us starting an airlift immediately."

WORLD BRIEFS

Yeltsin Asks for Broader Authority

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris N. Yeltsin urged Russian legislators Wednesday to give him broader presidential powers, but he assured them that he was not seeking to form a dictatorship.

General Strike Called in Lebanon

BEIRUT (AP) — A daylong general strike to protest a worsening economic crisis closed down the country Wednesday and the value of the Lebanese pound neared record lows. Banks, shops, restaurants, newspapers, movie theaters, amusement centers and other businesses were shut in line.

Italian Leader Wins Confidence Vote

ROME (Reuters) — Italy's month-old government, battling Mafia killings and economic turmoil, won a confidence vote on financial policy in parliament on Wednesday. The vote was viewed as a boost to Prime Minister Giuliano Amato's efforts to pull Italy out of crisis.

Burma Junta to Reopen Universities

BANGKOK (Reuters) — Universities and medical schools that were closed in December throughout Burma in response to demonstrations calling for democracy will reopen Aug. 24, the official Rangoon Radio announced Wednesday in a broadcast monitored here.

For the Record

Ivory Coast's legislature approved an amnesty Wednesday for dozens of jailed opposition figures and shield soldiers accused of rape and torture from prosecution. Opposition parties boycotted the legislative vote.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Lufthansa plans to reduce services between the United States and Germany, beginning in October, the company said Wednesday. Lufthansa intends to stop flying its thrice-weekly route between Frankfurt and Charlotte, North Carolina, and end the final leg of its daily Frankfurt-Montreal-Philadelphia service.

North American Airlines will reduce its daily departures from Milwaukee to 18, from 28, effective Sept. 15. (UPI)

German-Polish agreements on border cooperation, including plans to connect highways in the two countries and to simplify customs formalities, were signed in Warsaw by Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel of Germany and Polish Minister Krzysztof Skubiszewski of Poland. (AP)

Iran has leased Russian Tupolev airliners, provided with Russian pilots, maintenance crews and cabin attendants, for use by Iran Air Tour Co. to increase flights to the holy city of Meshed, the official Iranian press agency, IRNA, said. It said 10 Russian planes would be used. (AP)

A car rental agency to be established in Alma-Ata by Heriz Corp. will be the first in Kazakhstan, the company said. It plans to open branch offices later in other cities in the former Soviet republic. (AP)

Taiwan and Vietnam will discuss opening direct air links between Taipei and Ho Chi Minh City, Taiwan state radio reported Wednesday. It said a delegation of high-ranking officials would visit Vietnam soon for the discussions. (UPI)

Tourist arrivals in Venezuela dropped 25 percent in the first half of 1992 from last year, and officials expect that the recent anti-government protests will keep more foreigners away before an upturn in the busy winter season. (Reuters)

The Weather

Forecast for Friday through Sunday

Location	Today	Tomorrow	Day After
Algeria	28-32	20-24	19-24
Amman	28-32	20-24	19-24
Ankara	28-32	20-24	19-24
Athens	28-32	20-24	19-24
Bahra	30-34	22-26	21-25
Bangkok	30-34	22-26	21-25
Batavia	28-32	20-24	19-24
Bombay	28-32	20-24	19-24
Buenos Aires	28-32	20-24	19-24
Calcutta	28-32	20-24	19-24
Cairo	28-32	20-24	19-24
Caracas	28-32	20-24	19-24
Chennai	28-32	20-24	19-24
Colombo	28-32	20-24	19-24
Dhaka	28-32	20-24	19-24
Hanoi	28-32	20-24	19-24
Hong Kong	28-32	20-24	19-24
London	28-32	20-24	19-24
Los Angeles	28-32	20-24	19-24
Mumbai	28-32	20-24	19-24
Nairobi	28-32	20-24	19-24
Paris	28-32	20-24	19-24
Rangoon	28-32	20-24	19-24
San Francisco	28-32	20-24	19-24
Singapore	28-32	20-24	19-24
Taipei	28-32	20-24	19-24
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Brazil Veterans Sink 3-Pointers To Stifle Angola

BARCELONA — Brazil turned to its old hands Wednesday and Oscar Schmidt and Marcelo Souza responded with three 3-pointers that allowed the South Americans to beat Angola, 76-66. Schmidt and Souza, each appearing in his fourth Olympics, did not play for the first 8:17 of the second half after Brazil (1-2) opened a 42-26 halftime lead.



Ergueni Sadovyi, above, of Russia had cause to celebrate: he became the Barcelona Olympics' first triple gold medalist, and smashed a world record in the men's 400-meter freestyle. Mike Barrowman, right, set a world record in winning the 200-meter breaststroke; his U.S. teammates, Jon Olsen and Jennifer Johnson, who are more than mere friends, found a fence does not a barrier make.



Sadovyi Wins 3d Gold, Setting World Mark With Barrowman

The Associated Press BARCELONA — Ergueni Sadovyi of Russia became the Olympics' first triple gold medalist Wednesday by smashing a world record in the men's 400-meter freestyle, and Mike Barrowman of the United States set a world record in winning the 200-meter breaststroke. Less than an hour after Sadovyi — winner of the 200 freestyle and a member of the Unified Team's championship 800-meter freestyle relay — took nearly 1 1/2 seconds off the 400 freestyle world mark, Barrowman took 44 seconds off his breaststroke record.

Sadovyi, 19, surged in the final 50 meters to edge Kieren Perkins of Australia, 3:45.00 to 3:45.16. Perkins' world record was 3:46.47. Sadovyi is the first Olympic swimmer to win the 200 and the 400 freestyles in the same year. Before the Olympics, his best time was 3:51.59. In the heats Wednesday, he swam 3:49.37, second-best behind Perkins. The bronze went to Anders Holmertz of Sweden in 3:46.77.

Confidence Vote

Government, battling Mafia violence, has a confidence vote on financial policy Monday. The vote is seen as a boost to Prime Minister Ramon Rifé, but may also signal the end of his term. Rifé's government has struggled with economic problems since taking office in June.

U.S. Diver Captures the 3-Meter Gold

The Associated Press BARCELONA — Mark Lenzi succeeded his hero Greg Louganis as an Olympic diving champion on Wednesday, easily winning the 3-meter springboard title. Lenzi, of the United States, took the lead on the seventh of his 11 dives and led the rest of the way, finishing with 676.53 points. Tan Liangde of China earned his third consecutive Olympic silver in this event with 645.57.

Japan's Women Upset Americans in Volleyball



Tan Liangde of China had to settle for his third straight silver.

By Sandra Bailey BARCELONA — When a U.S. team takes the court for an Olympic volleyball match, there are a couple of things that can be counted on. One is that the match will go five sets, the other is that there will be a crowd of bald-headed guys around to shout and incite the crowd. On Wednesday, the U.S. women began their Olympic tournament against Japan, the nation that gave the U.S. men such fits. But this time, the result was indisputable, as Japan rallied to a 13-15, 15-11, 15-12, 8-15, 15-13 victory that prompted the Japanese coach, Kazuo Yoneda, to say, "We have obtained a miracle."

One Former Teammate's Memories Are Pure Magic

By Harvey Araton BARCELONA — There was a moment when Sten Feldreich hesitated, thinking he might embarrass not only Magic Johnson but himself. It had, after all, been 14 years since they went their separate ways. Feldreich, home to Sweden and Johnson, a laudable global celebrity that only here, at the Olympics, have we begun to fathom.

Johnson made his way down the tunnel in the direction of the team bus. "Earvin, it's good to see you," Feldreich said. Fourteen years worth of hands being thrust at him, of people wanting an interview, or just a word, of faces in crowds, of associations and acquaintances, real and imagined, and Johnson, in a heartbeat, knew the face. "Sten, how you doing?" he said, the same rolling off his tongue as if they had met the previous week for lunch.

National Collegiate Athletic Association championship the following year. He wound up in Spain, the first, and only, paid-professional player from Sweden. They were not best friends, and he wanted to be clear about that now. But there were Sunday afternoon when Johnson would take him to his parents' home in nearby Lansing, to sit around sipping Magic's beverage of choice, Hawaiian Punch, watching the National Basketball Association game of the week.

Japan Romps in Baseball

The Associated Press BARCELONA — Shimichi Sato hit his third Olympic tournament home run Wednesday and Japan piled up 18 hits to beat the Dominican Republic, 17-0, and remain in good position for a medal playoff berth. In another game, Puerto Rico beat Italy, 2-0. Japan (3-1) scored every inning against an erratic Dominican pitching staff. The Dominicans walked five batters and hit four.

Officials Plan Giveaway To Deal With Vacant Seats

Reuters BARCELONA — Olympics organizers, under attack because of empty seats in sold-out events, said Wednesday they were planning to give vacant places away free. The organizing committee spokesman, Pedro Palacios, said the seats would not be distributed until late in an event, to prevent problems if the owner of a ticket turned up. There have been widespread complaints in Barcelona about large numbers of empty seats at venues where no tickets have been available for the public because of a sell-out. Palacios said the main cause was that blocks of tickets had been bought by multinational sponsoring companies whose guests did not turn up.

Chesnokov Stops Edberg in Opener

The Associated Press BARCELONA — Andrei Chesnokov and slow red clay took the sting out of Stefan Edberg's serve-and-volley game on Wednesday and the second-ranked Swedish star was eliminated from the Olympic tennis tournament in the first round. Edberg tried to come to the net as much as possible, but lazy bounces on the clay gave Chesnokov time to answer with precise lobs and passing shots on the way to a 6-0, 6-4, 6-4 victory. "It's not the best surface for Stefan," Chesnokov said. "I don't know if I beat him; maybe he lost. He made a lot of errors today."

Chang was not able to finish off Mancini until the Argentine tired in the fourth set. "People said it was hot, but I didn't realize it was going to be this hot," Chang said. "It was a relief to get the first match over with — going my way. Alberto's too easy customer on clay." No. 10 Thomas Muster of Austria lost to Frenchman Henri Leconte 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (11-9), 6-4. No. 8 Michael Stich struggled past Tasmanian Richard Fromberg, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3. Garrison, slowed recently by an ankle injury, couldn't match shots with the unseeded but dangerous Coetzter, who beat Capriati and Gabriela Sabatini earlier this year.

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Hypothetical Discussion

WASHINGTON — "Did you hear the news?" Quincy said when he found me in Mad Martha's Ice Cream Parlor. "Quayle's daughter is going to have a baby."

"She is not. You heard it all wrong. On his show Larry King asked Quayle what would he do if his daughter announced that she was going to have a child. It was a hypothetical question and Quayle gave a hypothetical answer."

"What's a hypothetical?" "It's something that didn't happen but for the sake of discussion, everyone agrees that it could."

"So what did he say?" Quincy wanted to know. "Quayle said that if his daughter came to him with the news that she was pregnant he would have a long talk with her and hope to persuade her to do the right thing. But whatever she decided to do he would support her."

"What was wrong with that?" "Nothing was wrong with it. It was an answer that most people would agree was the right one. The only problem was that the anti-abortion people went up the wall and the pro-choice people had picket parties to celebrate Quayle's new pro-choice position."

"I'm sure that Quayle can explain what he meant to the anti-abortion crowds." "He can't do that, but not to his wife. She's not talking to him at the moment." "Did Quayle go back on his answer?" "As far as he possibly could, he

kept insisting that the only solution he would accept for his daughter was that she have the baby. "But if she had the baby, wouldn't she turn into another Murphy Brown?"

"That was the problem. Since Quayle was talking hypothetically he was certain that the only time his daughter would have a child was when she was married."

"Will this brouhaha cause George Bush to drop his vice president?"

"No, the president is standing by Quayle. When asked how he felt about the vice president, Bush said that that was a hypothetical 'Dump the Veep' question and he would not answer it."

"Why all the Quayle-bashing at this time?"

"It's summertime and the media have to bash somebody."

"Do you think that Larry King is in trouble for asking the vice president a hypothetical question that got him in so much difficulty with his wife?"

"No, but the Quayle staffer who booked him on the Larry King show is."

Quincy said, "It seems to me that every time Quayle starts out doing something right he winds up doing it wrong."

"What's interesting about the question that got him into trouble last week was that the vice president gave the right answer. At least it was the same answer that Murphy Brown's father would have given. Anyhow, the VP learned his lesson. The next time he goes on television, his handlers have announced that Quayle will not answer any hypothetical questions, even if Barbara Walters asks him, 'If you were a tree, what kind of tree would you be?'"



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The Weather According to Joe Zawinul

By Mike Zwerin

PARIS — In these days of under-whelming leadership and under-achieving creativity, Josef Zawinul is an egoist who has a lot to be egotistical about. "Even when I'm full of it, man, I'm always sincere." He brags in up-tempo scatological (he didn't say "Vienna-cum-Brooklyn hipster syntax. He has a lot to brag about.

His task has been "to get on scenes where I was the weakest one going in and the strongest coming out. Like you learn from your daddy and then go a little further. The midget on the shoulder of the giant can see more than the giant."

This midget tamed a giant named Electronics. He is the only musician to have crafted an unmistakable personal sound on synthesizer. Nobody else is even close. His translucent laser-blue textures, diversified use of space, tradition-based programs, pan-cultural references, clean contours and sophisticated polyphony ("Birdland") are absolutely unique and immediately recognizable. Every chord is an event. The overall concept has been described: "Play electric, sound acoustic."

Born and raised in Vienna (he turned 60 this month), Zawinul has Hungarian, Czech and, he makes it a point to point out, Sinti blood. He played "Gypsy tunes, 'Honeysuckle Rose' and anything else I could find" on the clarinet and accordion at the age of six. He stole a piece of green pool-table felt and stuffed it into his little 48-bass Höpner suitcasebox, thus constructing, he says with no discernible irony, "the original synthesizer. It was a funky sound, I loved that sound. It was so nasty."

He holds a finger in the air, sure he is about to sprout tomorrow's headline: "This is a scoop for your paper. The drummer with my first band was Thomas Klestil, who just became president of Austria. My country, a beautiful country, man, thank God that other joker is out of there. Thomas played on my mama's pots and pans. We used to play all night long. He was my best friend. We ran the streets together."

"It was 1945, we hung together because the teachers didn't have no kind of finesse to teach kids anything. We didn't have any shoes. Sometimes we stole a little food because we didn't have nothing to eat. We sneaked in to see 'Stormy Weather.' I cut a hole in the fence of a big swimming pool and for one whole summer we went swimming for free."

"And then one day in 1948, we were walking in my neighborhood and Thomas said, 'You know, I'm tired of all this. I'm going to do something with my life. You're a talented musician, you should do that.' He studied economics and I learned the piano. Later when we were both in the States, I took him to Cannonball's house to hang out with all the brothers. He had no problems with any of them. Both our masier plans worked out."

In 1959, Zawinul won a scholarship to the Berklee College of Music in Boston. In a matter of days, he was hired by Maynard



Zawinul on PePe, his breath-controlled electronic keyboard instrument.

Ferguson, leader of a hot big band. A year later, he left to accompany the singer Dinah Washington. The year after that he joined Cannonball Adderley's otherwise all African-American band with which he stayed throughout the '60s, while recording with Ben Webster, Coleman Hawkins and his old friend from Vienna, Friedrich Gulda ("Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra," 1966). He wrote Cannonball's funky hit "Mercy, Mercy, Mercy."

Switching to electronic keyboards ("Synthesizers set my imagination free"), the midget jumped on the shoulder of Miles Davis, for whom he wrote the exquisitely spare "In a Silent Way," which became the name of The Prince of Silence's benchmark rock-orientated album. With partners Wayne Shorter and Miroslav Vitous, he formed the jazz-rock group Weather Report, one of the only fusion bands to survive the eventual cre-

ative dead end of the trend they helped create. A cocky bunch, they were the best and saw no point in false modesty ("You're an idiot," Zawinul told a reviewer who gave one of their records only one star). When Vitous left, an unknown young man from Ft. Lauderdale came up with the right approach when he introduced himself: "Mr. Zawinul, my name is Jaco Pastorius and I'm the greatest bass player in the world."

Zawinul remained the key element. Saxman Shorter says: "There are very few musicians who are able to improvise compositions on the spot and make it both entertaining and moving. Joe does that, plus he has the ability to focus on many aspects of musical storytelling." Zawinul told Down Beat magazine: "My tunes are all improvised. I sit down and play an entire song from start to finish. I change nothing. I leave it the way it comes through the first time. Later, I might think of a hipper chord, but I never go back and put it in. I believe in nature and what nature gives me."

Earlier this month he played the New Morning here with his current formation The Zawinul Syndicate on a summer European tour which included 12 dates on the same bill with the band of the Malian singer Salif Keita ("my band and Salif's band, very strong baggage"). He produced Keita's recent album "Amazul," which, despite generally negative reviews, spent 13 weeks at the top of the Billboard World Music chart.

"A lot of people thought it was too 'modern,'" he says. "Too many chords. Not 'native' enough. But Salif hired me because of who I am. He could have made the record in Africa. I never listened to his old records, I didn't want to get bogged down in the past. I've been playing World Music all my life. I knew we'd mix great. He felt the same. Neither one of us lost our culture. We made a great record, the more you listen to it the more you gonna like that record. We have some tunes on it, absolute mindblowers, man."

It's not a polemic, he doesn't really care if you agree. Being a mindblower is objective truth as far as he's concerned. Worldly rewards confirm it: royalties flow in and he lives well in upscale Malibu, California.

The Syndicate's new album "Lost Tribes," equal to his best, a sort-of Weather Update, incorporates the PePe, a breath-controlled electronic keyboard instrument he invented (it sounds as though programmed with Wayne Shorter samples) and was recorded in his home studio. About it, he says: "I used all my influences. When it comes to music, I'm in a special spot. I grew up with Hungarian Gypsy music, Yugoslavian music, polkas. Polkas can be a gas if you play them good, and hard as jazz music. To play a Viennese waltz right is just as difficult as bebop."

"I'm influenced by folk music, classical music, flamenco, African music, Oriental music. Plus I've been living with Black American culture more than half my life, playing their music with the best cats. I'm not worried about Duke Ellington. Baby, I ain't worried about nobody."

PEOPLE

Ice-T, Bowing to Critics, Drops 'Cop Killer' Song

After months of stormy protests over his "Cop Killer" song, the rapper Ice-T and record producer Time Warner Inc. have agreed to stop selling the song. The company said it would recall copies of the album "Body Count," and replace them with one without the song. "Cop Killer" had prompted a boycott of Time Warner. At a press conference, Ice-T said he wanted to spare the company undeserved fallout. He also said he would hand out free copies of the song at his concerts: "I'll bring it to South Central and give it away free at concerts."

His decision didn't come soon enough for Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato. The New York Republican at the last minute canceled one of a cameo appearance in the film, "Dave," because it is being produced by Warner Brothers, a Time Warner subsidiary. He said his participation "would be an affront" to police.

Michael Jackson arrived in London Wednesday for the British leg of his world tour, bringing with him Mickey and Minnie Mouse from Euro Disney in France. They will accompany him on a visit to Queen Elizabeth's Children's Hospital in east London. The singer, meanwhile, won a 15-day injunction from the High Court of Justice barring the Daily Mirror from publishing or circulating a close-up photograph of him. Jackson, in filing a libel suit, claims the picture was not a true likeness. The Mirror had printed the picture with a story labeling him "scarface."

Despite the fact that 2,500 tickets have been sold for their show Monday night in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the Moody Blues won't be there. They will be on their way back to England because their work visas expire Sunday night.

Prince Charles spent the morning of his 11th wedding anniversary with another woman, his 91-year-old grandmother. The prince escorted Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother to a flower show near the estate of Sandringham, giving royal-watchers another chance to ponder the state of his reportedly rocky marriage. Buckingham Palace said only that Charles and his wife, Princess Diana, would be spending the day privately.

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Watercolors Withdrawn

MELBOURNE — Christie's withdrew nine bird paintings from a sale of the jailed tycoon Alan Bond's art collection after doubts over their authenticity, a spokeswoman said Wednesday. Christie's Australia will do further research on the watercolors, catalogued as the work of the English artist John William Lewin, the spokeswoman added. Tuesday night's auction of one of the largest collections of Australian art works sold for nearly 5.75 million Australian dollars (\$4.26 million), more than the auctioneers had expected and enough to cover what Bond originally paid. The sale of more than 50 works had not been significantly affected by the withdrawal of Lewin's paintings whose authenticity was questioned by a leading Australian ornithologist and a number of scientific experts. The works by Lewin, an English painter who came to Australia in 1800, had been expected to fetch about \$7,000 to \$9,000 each before the doubts arose over their authenticity. Bond's collection numbered about 100 paintings at its height in the 1980s and was valued at around \$75 million, but a number of paintings have already been sold and one, Rupert Buey's "Une Nuit de Canicule," was destroyed by fire in London in 1991.

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